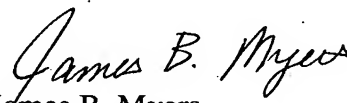


Remarks

The present application is a national stage filing of PCT/US2004/035513, filed on 8 November 2004, which claims the benefit of United States provisional patent application serial number 60/523,878, filed 20 November 2003. In this Submission, originally filed claims 2, 14-16, 21, and 26 have been amended to remove multiple claim dependencies and correct minor typographical errors. Claims 24 and 27-32 have been canceled. The filing fee reflects the noted amendments.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments and prompt consideration leading to timely allowance of the claimed subject matter. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone if there are any questions about this Submission or other issues that may be resolved in that fashion.

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